Utilisation of funds by States under the Panchayati Raj system

†2880. SHRIMATI KAMLA MANHAR: Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated/released and utilized under the Panchayati Raj system by the States/Union Territories State-wise, head-wise and district-wise by the State of Chhattisgarh during the year 2003-04 and 2004-05 till date;

(b) whether the funds have been fully utilized in the States particularly in every district of Chhattisgarh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (d) With respect of State Government allocations to Panchayats, the direct financing of Panchayats varies from State to State and information thereof is available in the State Budget documents.

The Central Finance Commission is required to make recommendations on the measures needed to augment the Consolidated Fund of the States to supplement the resources of the Panchayats on the basis of the recommendations of the State Finance Commissions. In this connection, the Eleventh Finance Commission recommended grants of Rs. 8000 crore for Panchayati Raj Institutions for the period 2000-2005. Grants to PRI are released to the States keeping in consideration the pace of utilization and fulfillment of other conditionalities prescribed In the guidelines. A Statement showing State-wise release of grants as per eleven Finance Commission recommendations and its utilization by Panchayati Raj Institutions is enclosed as Annexure [See *Appendix 204, Annexure No. 23]*

With respect to Centrally-Sponsored Schemes (CSS), apart from the Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) where allocation to the Panchayats is mandatory, the States are given an option to implement CSS through the Panchayats that are not obliged to do so. The SGRY is being implemented by the Ministry of Rural Development through Panchayats at the levels of District, Block and Village. The main objective

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of the Scheme is to provide additional wage employment in the rural areas as also food security, along side the creation of durable community,social and economic infrastructure in the rural areas. The SGRY is implemented through Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) at District, Block and Village level. The resources are allcoated in the ratio of 20:30:50 between District, Intermediate and Gram Panchayat respectively. State/UT-wise position of the funds allocated/released and utilized for the year 2003-04 and 2004-05 is given in Annexure. *[See Appendix 204, Annexure No. 23]* District-wise position regarding funds allocated, released and utilized under the SGRY in Chhattisgarh during the year 2003-04 and 2004-05 is given in Annexure. *[See Appendix 204, Annexure No. 23]*

Training to the representatives of Panchayati Raj

†2881. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have received any proposal from Madhya Pradesh for imparting training to the representatives of Panchayati Raj and Gram Swaraj;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the proposal of the State would get the approval of the Centre?

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Prior to the creation of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, the Training and Research Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Rural Development considered the following two proposals submitted by the Madhya Pradesh Government;

Proposai-1: Training of Elected Members of Panchayati Raj Institutions in Madhya Pradesh.

Proposal-2: Training of 52727 Gram Sabhas in Madhya Pradesh.

The first proposal was considered by the Training and Research Advisory

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